(b) if so, the details thereof and the justification for shifting these sub-offices to some other places?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) ONGC has informed that no sub-office of the Company has been shifted from Dehradun to some other places in the recent past. There is no proposal at present to shift any sub-office of ONGC from Dehradun. Employees of the Company are, however, transferred from one location to the other as per administrative and functional requirements of the company.

(b) Not applicable in view of reply to (a) above.

ONGC's Overseas Acquisition

285. SHRI R. P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ONGC Videsh Ltd., the overseas investments arm of ONGC, has chalked out a comprehensive plan for acquisition of oil and gas fields abroad to augment the country's energy security;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the likely project-wise investments and additional oil or gas potential expected therefrom; and

(c) the present status of similar major acquisitions made during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir. To enhance energy security of the country, ONGC-Videsh Limited (OVL), is pursuing acquisition of equity oil abroad, as well as acquisition abroad of oil and gas exploration acreages and producing properties.

(b) and (c) The details are given in the Statement annexed.

Statement

Project-wise details of investment and expected oil and gas production alongwith present status of major ONGC's acquisitions

Name of the Project and country	Participating Interest with details of other *partners*	Planned Investment by OVL (US $)	Status of the project	Expenses incurred till 31st March, 2004 (US$)	Expected Oil & Gas Production for the project (Total Plateau Production from the project)	Production during 2003-04 (OVL's Share)	Proved Reserves as on 31st March, 2004 (OVL's Share)
Block 06.1	OVL-45%	228 Million	Commercial	Approx 162	Gas-266 MM scf/d	Gas = 523 MCM	GAS = 19.471
	BP-35% (Operator)		*production of*	Million		Condensate=	BCM
Vietnam	PV-20%		Gas started from the project from Jan. 2003			0.022 MMT	Condensate = 0.757 MMT
Sakhalin-1	OVL-20% Exxon-30%	1741 Million	Project is in development	Approx 1068 Million	Oil-250,000 BOPD Gas-1050 MMscf/d	Under Development	Oil & Condensate =
Russia	(Operator) Sodeco-30% *SMNG*-11.5% RN Astra-8.5 %		stage				61.4 MMT Gas = 97BCM
Greater Nile	OVL-25%	720 Million	Project is in	Approx 669.1	Current Production:	Oil = 3.323 MMT	Oil-20.398
Oil Project	CNPC-40% *Petronas*-30%		production	million	Oil-3,00,000		MMT
Sudan	Sudapet-5% (Joint-Operatorship)		stage		BOPD (Approx)		
Block-8	OVL 100%	15 Million	Exploration	Approx	N/A	Under	N/A
Iraq	(Operator)	(Minimum expenditure obligation)	project. Currently, under force majeure.	Million		exploration	

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BlockA-1	OVL 20% Daewoo-60%	27.5 Million in exploration	Project is in exploration	Approx 7 Million	N/A	Under exploration	N/A
Myanmar	(Operator) KOGAS-10% GAIL-10%	phase upto 30 June, 2005	stage				
Farsi	OVL - 40%	10.8 Million in	Project is in	Approx 1	N/A	Under	N/A
Offshore	(Operator)	exploration	exploration	Million		exploration	
Block	IOC-40%	phase	stage				
Iran	OIL-20%						
Block NC - 188 & NC-	OVL - 49% TPOC - 51%	30 Million in exploration	Project is in exploration	Approx 12 Million	N/A	Under exploration	N/A
189	(Operator)	phase	stage				
Libya							
Block # 24	OVL - 60% IPR International -	5 Million in exploration	Project is in exploration	Approx 0.5 Million	N/A	Under exploration	N/A
Syria	40%	(Operator)	Phase	Stage			
Block 5A	OVL - 24.125% Petronas-68.875%	Acquisition cost of stake in	Project is in exploration		N/A	Under exploration	N/A
Sudan	(Operator) Sudapet - 7%	Block 5A approx	stage US$ 105 Million.	-			
Block 5B	OVL - 23.5% Petronas - 41%	Acquisition cost of stake in	Project is in exploration	-	N/A	Under exploration	N/A
Sudan	(Operator) Sudapet-11% Lundin-24.5%	Block 5B approx US$ 25 Million.	stage				

MM scf/d: million standard cubic feet per day/**BOPD** : Barrel oil per day/**BCM** : billion cubic metre/**MCM** : million cubic metre/**MMT** : million metric tonne